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FOR SEOUL, USIS, KWAK SO JIN

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SUBJECT: SHARK FISHING WITHIN U.S. TERRITORIAL WATERS

SUMMARY: KOREAN FISHING FIRM WISHES RECEIVE MULTIPLE YEAR PERMISSION
U.S. AUTHORITIES TO FISH FOR SHARK FOR COMMERCIAL PURPOSES WITHIN
TERRITORIAL WATERS OF PALAU, YAP, GUAM, SAIPAN, TRUK, BONIN
STARTING OCTOBER.

1. REGMARATT MET WITH KIM YONG NOK OF DAERIM FISHING CO. LTD.
SEOUL, WHO ADVISED THAT WITH PERMISSION FROM LOCAL AUTHORITIES,
DAERIM RECENTLY CONDUCTED TWO SHARK FISHING EXPERIMENTS (ONE
LATE LAST YEAR, THE OTHER THIS SPRING. BOTH IN GENERAL AREA
MENTIONED ABOVE) LASTING ONE MONTH EACH. NINETY PERCENT OF THE
FISH CAUGHT WERE SHARKS.

2. MULTIPLE YEAR FISHING PERMISSION NOW REQUESTED FOR ONE MOTHER
VESSEL OF 350 GRT AND FOUR FISHING VESSELS OF 150 GRT EACH. LATTER
VESSELS WOULD OPERATE IN ABOUT 40 METER DEPTHS WITH LINES
EXTENDING TO ABOUT 25 METER DEPTHS. LONGLINES METHOD WOULD BE
USED. NO VISITS BY ANY OF THE VESSELS TO ANY OF THE PLACES
MENTIONED ARE ANTICIPATED. VESSELS WOULD BE IN AREAS MENTIONED FOR
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ABOUT 300 DAYS EACH YEAR.

3. FYI, COMPANY PRESENTLY HAS THREE TUNA LONGLINE VESSELS (360
GRT) OPERATING IN INDIAN AND PACIFIC OCEAN, EIGHT STERN

TRAWLERS (300/1000 GRT) OPERATING ATLANTIC OCEAN NEAR CANARY
ISLANDS AND ONE STERN TRAWLER (4000 GRT) OPERATING NORTH PACIFIC.

4. ADVISE TO WHICH GOVERNMENT AGENCY AND TO WHOM WITHIN THAT
AGENCY DAERIM SHOULD APPLY FOR PERMISSION AND WHAT INFORMATION
SHOULD ACCOMPANY THE APPLICATION.

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